

COUNTRY East Germany

SECURITY INFORMATION

REPORT NO.

TOPIC Weizow Airfield

EVALUATION see below

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DATE OF CONTENT

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. Welzow airfield was vacated after 22 June 1953. The troops were not transferred within East Germany.
2. The evacuation of the field was performed between 24 and 29 June. On 7 July, the field was vacant, the AA gun emplacements were unoccupied, and cattle grazed on the landing field. The Soviet troops were shipped by rail to Frankfurt/Oder and from there, [redacted] on the Oder River to Stettin. [redacted]

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3. [redacted] the field was vacated by Soviet Air Force troops on 2 July.

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4. On the afternoon of 10 July, no occupation and only one guard detail was observed at the field. Changes had occurred on the radio installations; the Dumbo-type radar set was replaced by a radio installation with one mast. Truck [] was observed entering and leaving the field.

Comment. Welzow airfield was previously occupied by a bomber regiment equipped with Il-28s. A target-tow unit was also believed to be stationed there. The present report indicates that the bomber regiment left the field. According to information available, the bomber regiments from Werneuchen, Brand and Welzow airfields and the air reconnaissance regiment with Il-28s from Juetzerbog-Altes Lager left East Germany.

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